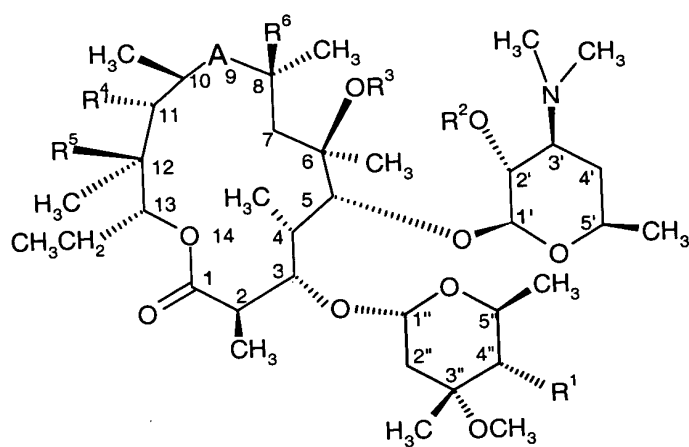


ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to 14- or 15-membered macrolides substituted at the 4" position of formula (I)



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and pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives thereof, to processes for their preparation and their use in therapy or prophylaxis of systemic or topical microbial infections in a human or animal body.